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SUBJ: EXPLOSION DISRUPTS PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF SUBWAY STRIKE

1. NEWS SERVICES HAVE CONFIRMED TO EMBASSY THAT A BOMB
EXPLODED ALONG ONE OF SUBURBAN ELEVATED RR LINES THIS MORNING
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CAUSING UNSPECIFIED DAMAGE; SIX BOMBS WERE DISCOVERED BEFORE

THEY WENT OFF.

2. IN PAST 24 HOURS MADRID HAS BEEN SCENE OF TWO OTHER INCIDENTS INVOLVING THE USE OF POLICE FORCES WITH DISORDERLY CROWDS WHICH INVOLVED POLITICAL DEMONSTRATIONS OF SYMPATHY FOR STRIKING WORKERS AND FOR POLITICAL AMNESTY. POLICE MADE SEVERAL ARRESTS JAN 11 NEAR MADRID'S CROWDED FLEA MARKET, THE FAMED "RASTRO", WHERE PUSHING AND SHOVING GROUP OF DEMONSTRATORS CAUSED MIX-UP. LATER, FOLLOWING THE TUMULTUOUS END OF THE YEAR'S MOST IMPORTANT SOCCER MATCH, ANOTHER PRO-WORKER AND PRO-AMNESTY DEMONSTRATION BROKE OUT DISRUPTING THE ORDERLY EMPTYING OF THE STADIUM.

3. PRO-AMNESTY DEMONSTRATIONS HAVE BEEN FREQUENT THROUGHOUT SPAIN IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS, BUT WORKER SOLIDARITY DEMONSTRATIONS ARE BECOMING MORE FREQUENT AND WE NOW HAVE HAD THE FIRST ACT OF SABOTAGE IN THE MADRID AREA. POLICE ARE STILL USING MINIMUM FORCE IN RESPONSE TO DEMONSTRATIONS, BUT THIS COULD CHANGE IF MORE ACTS OF SABOTAGE OCCUR.
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